

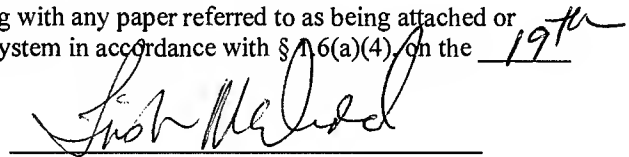
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Johannes Alfred Beele
Serial No.: 10/589,445
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Filed: August 11, 2006
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SEALING AN OPENING
IN A WALL IN WHICH AT LEAST ONE TRANSPORT
DEVICE SUCH AS A CABLE, CONDUIT OR TUBE HAS
BEEN FED THROUGH

Examiner: B.T. O'Hern
Art Unit: 1783

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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed more than three months after the filing date of this application and after the mailing date of a first Office Action, but before the mailing date of any of a Final Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in this application.

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PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed search reports from related International Application No. PCT/NL2004/000280 and corresponding International Application No. PCT/NL2005/000099. Applicant would also like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed Office Action from related Application No. EP20040730133.8 which is a national stage of PCT/NL2004/000280. Applicant would also like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed Office Action from related US Application No. 10/553,428

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
10/553,428	10-18-2005	Beele	B1215.70009US00
PCT/NL2004/000280	04-28-2004	Beele	

PART III: Explanation of Non-English Language References and Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited

The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08):

Applicants believe that the enclosed International Search Reports and the Office Action from related Application No. EP20040730133.8 explain the relevance of cited non-English references DE2162251, EP0217080, EP1739120, WO93/22814, FR2553084, DE4234374. Cited

non-English references EP0534563 and NL1018722 are discussed within the text of the specification of the current application.

The following are remarks concerning the other information cited:

PART IV: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08) be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. § 102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit

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Account No. 23/2825 under Docket No. B1215.70011US00 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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